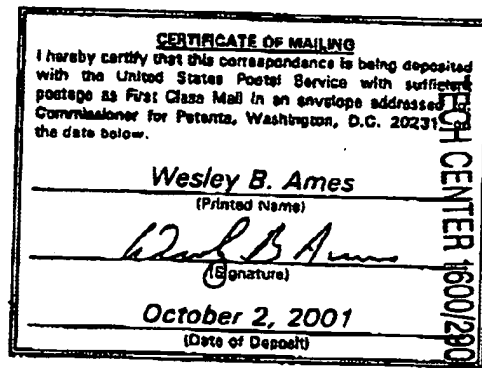


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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action dated August 2, 2001,  
concerning the above-referenced patent application.

Applicant hereby elects claim group I, encompassing claims 1-13 with traverse.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a  
telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

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Applicant hereby requests a one-month extension of time to allow timely response up to and including October 2, 2001. A check for the fee for that extension is enclosed. If any additional fee is required or if the amount of the check is incorrect, kindly charge or credit Deposit Account 50-0872 for the appropriate amount.

Respectfully submitted,

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